

CURES YOU WITH AIR

ELGIN PHYSICIAN PERFECTS A REMARKABLE INHALER.

Consumptives, Even in the Second and Third Stages of the Disease, Are Said to Be Completely Restored—Citizens Investigate Reports.

A form of artificially saturated medicated air is the apparently successful cure for lung trouble now being offered by Dr. W. A. Shepard of Elgin. The air is charged in that manner in mountainous regions is beneficial to persons afflicted with weak lungs. The doctor took the cure for the remedy he says he has worked out from that truth, and his announcement of his method is it multiplies several times over the benefits received from a trip to the mountain districts.

The prospective patient who enters Dr. Shepard's office is introduced to a brass and nickel plated, queer looking cylindrical shaped apparatus about 18 inches high, to which are connected two tubes for the purpose of inhaling and exhaling. The physician considers the latter as important as the former, and he has attached a mechanical contrivance which registers in cubic inches the lung power shown.

The heating air passes through a bottle partly filled with a medicinal solution and from it receives the charge which is to do the good to the lungs.

The composition of this solution, however, Dr. Shepard guards. Its strength and intensity vary with the condition of the patient.

That is all the information he will give to inquirers. He has worked for approximately six years in developing this branch of the profession, and not until lately, though, has he reached a point where his labor has brought him success. Of 100 cases he says he has cured or relieved one-tenth were of the fatal stage, three-fourths of the total were men and women in the second stage and the balance in the first.

He admits no failures in the incipient stage.

A commission of three, appointed by Mayor Charles H. Wayne, and consisting of A. H. Lowrie, editor of the Elgin Daily News; George S. Bowen, president of the Scientific Society, and once a prominent and wealthy Chicagoan, and Colonel J. H. Wilcox, a Grand Army man, has questioned the people who say they have been cured and has made a flattering and favorable report to the chief executive.

It is an interesting fact for Dr. Shepard to refer to that he was once a consumptive and was made a well man by his own discovery. The story he told to the correspondent was that he had gone to New Mexico half a dozen years ago in search of relief for his lungs. While there he thought over the matter and touched upon a scheme in his own mind which it occurred to him would result in cures. He returned to Elgin and rigged up a rough instrument and he declared "it did for my lungs just what the climate of the far western country did."

Dr. Shepard is now a robust man. The method he employed he explained as follows:

"Inhalation and exhalation taken together dilate the air-cell, putting every air cell at work. The poisonous matter that accumulates in the air cells is thrown off by the latter process. The poison that is the product of the bacilli in the lungs is got rid of by coming in contact with the prepared air, and the force that is used by the patient tends to expel it from the region of the lungs. The bacilli then weaken and shrivel up and the lungs are without decayed material. With my mode of treatment you take less air than would be necessary in the high altitude of the mountains and you derive more benefit."

"In instances where lungs are hereditarily weak the apparatus strengthens them. The treatment saturates the air as thoroughly as the throat can tolerate and loads it with medicine as possible. That is where its benefit lies."

Dr. Shepard has had his apparatus patented, and he said that had been taken by his fellow physicians as an unpardonable affront. They do not like it either, he said, that he keeps secret the make up of the solution.

He sells or rents his apparatus, as the people choose. They can't treat themselves in their homes even if provided with the medical solution.

After the doctor had treated several people in the town they drew up a petition to the mayor asking him to investigate the matter, and if he found the doctor's medicine efficient to proclaim it so. Mayor Wayne said his publication of his commission's report was in accordance with that request. It spoke for itself, he said, and as the investigating men were well known he didn't believe their statements would be questioned. Mr. Bowen, a former resident of Chicago, said the personal investigations of the two other men and himself had astonished them.

"We spent one evening in Dr. Shepard's office," he said, "and there met a number of those most successfully treated. The next day we probed still further by taking a carriage and driving about to the homes of several who had been reported to us as the most difficult cases. We were careful to ascertain by cross questioning whether they had ever been pronounced consumptives by any physician prior to the time they had come under the doctor's notice. Mrs. W. L. Hyman, whom we visited, had lost her mother and sister by consumption."

A "ging physician advised her to go to Michigan of Wisconsin. She went, visiting sick unrelieved. Then she met Mr. Shepard, after course and shows return to her her looks and bearing in a few days showed similar improvement."

A man who had been a wood turner had had his lungs penetrated by the dust. His case was given up by his physician.

Months three years ago. So he gathered together sufficient money to go to New Mexico. There a physician advised him if he wanted to see his family again to return at once, for he wouldn't live more than a couple of weeks. He returned to Elgin and Dr. Shepard had faith that he could accomplish anything with the man, he was so far gone. But he was provided with the paraphernalia and has become so encouraged he has notified his former employers he will be able to return to work.

"One man we talked to had gained 54 pounds of flesh in one week. From our observations we decided that the benefit lies in the direct course of the remedy to the air cells. The refuse matter is stirred up by the exhaling process. One of the earmarks of consumption, as you know, is the absence of a healthy appetite on the part of those whom it attacks and the inability to retain food. I asked particularly for information on those points and was informed by each one of a return of a normal appetite."

A. P. Lowrie, editor of the Elgin News, chairman of the commission, summarized the result of the investigation in this way:

"Those in the first stage took the treatment for from two to four weeks and declared they were cured. Those who had it in the second stage announced to us they were cured or felt themselves in a fair way to become wholly well again, and those in the third stage seemed more hopeful. I think the process is the most philosophical and scientific one. It is an improvement on the old inhaler, the doctor says. It seems to destroy the bacilli."

The third member of the commission, Colonel Wilcox, is out of town.

The people in Elgin who have been helped by Dr. Shepard say they are willing to bear testimony to that effect. Dr. J. Chamberlin, proprietor of a clothing store, said the use of the breathing machine had enabled him to stay at home last winter for the first year in a good many.

"My lungs were weak," he said, "and it has done them much good."

The wife of L. N. Seaman, cashier of the Elgin National bank, was assisted materially. Her husband says:

"She was on the verge of quick consumption, and she does not cough at all now. The treatment prolonged the life of a cousin of mine who was in the third stage."—Chicago Tribune.

SEATS THIRTEENTH THOUSAND

Satisfactory Progress Made on the St. Louis Convention Hall.

Satisfactory progress is being made by the contractors on the immense auditorium building designed for the use of the Republican convention. Seats are provided for 13,000 persons, and owing to its architectural construction and the steep pitch of the balconies a good view of the speaker's stand is had from all parts of the structure, thus correcting the only defect of the Minneapolis convention. Sergeant-at-arms Byrnes and his assistant, Max Pracht, made a thorough and critical examination of the building. Every pillar, brace and fastening was looked over, the entrances and exits measured, and everything was found to be entirely satisfactory.

Such disposition of doorkeepers is made that without undue haste every ticket can be examined and every ticket holder seated inside of ten minutes.

"The architects know their business," said Colonel Byrnes. "The building is to be completed within ten days, and it is proposed to give an entertainment of a dedicatory character, at which more persons will be present than will be at the convention, thus subjecting the building to a practical working test."—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

MOCK COURT IN JAIL.

Prisoners at Maysville, Ky., Adopt a Novel Reform.

The prisoners, 25 in number, in the jail at Maysville, Ky., have organized a mock court. Fred Buss, charged with killing Orth Gambia, was elected judge, and Laughlin, the Augusta murderer, was elected sheriff. They have adopted laws against failing to use the cuspidors, boisterous conduct and profane language. Offenders are whipped with a strap. Garrett Breckinridge, an alleged murderer, is the executioner.

John Johnson says the society has effected a remarkable improvement in the conduct of the prisoners. The society was organized to protect a sick young woman near the jail. While in the jail Mr. Johnson violated one of the rules and was notified that a repetition of the offense would result in his punishment.

—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Makes Violins With a Pocket Knife. Lieutenant Agass, one of the oldest and most noted men on the Washington police force, has a gift that few men possess. He is an expert in the making of violins, and has made a number of very fine instruments, which he has presented to friends who are musically inclined. In making the violins he uses nothing but an ordinary pocket knife.

Some of the other members of his family are also musical experts. He has a son who is a fine violinist. The lieutenant is a Virginian by birth and rearing, but when a youth went north and served in the Union army.—New York Sun.

What He Knew. A correspondent at the capital tells this of Mr. Gibson, the junior senator from Maryland: The newspaper man met the senator the other day just outside the chamber immediately after he had concluded his speech attacking the A. P. A., and the following colloquy took place:

"What do you know today, senator?" "Nothing. Just told all I knew in the senate chamber."

"How long did you speak?" "About five minutes."—Washington Post.

Simply Had Luck. The little king of Spain is Alfonso XIII. Again that unlucky number.

Philadelphia Press.

Cripple

The iron grasp of scrofula has no mercy upon its victims. This demon of the blood is often not satisfied with causing dreadful sores, but racks the body with the pains of rheumatism until Hood's Sarsaparilla cures.

"Nearly four years ago I became afflicted with scrofula and rheumatism.

Running sores broke out on my thighs. Pieces of bone came out and an operation was contemplated. I had rheumatism in my legs, drawn up out of shape. I lost appetite, could not sleep. I was a perfect wreck. I continued to grow worse and finally gave up the doctor's treatment to

take Hood's Sarsaparilla. Soon appetite came back; the sores commenced to heal. My limbs straightened out and I threw away my crutches. I am now stout and hearty and am farming, whereas four years ago I was a cripple. I gladly recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla." URBAN HAMMOND, Table Grove, Illinois.

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Hood's Pills take easy to operate. 25c.

EXERCISES FOR THE THROAT.

A Branch of Physical Culture Not Often Touched On.

The chronic sore throat is not infrequently produced by the misuse of the vocal organs. Very often that unruly little member, the tongue, is accountable for the difficulty, as it is for a great many other troubles in this transitory life. Many people have a habit when talking of pushing the tongue so far back against the delicate membranes that line the throat that irritation more or less painful is caused, and if it continues any length of time ulcers will form, and so will a doctor's bill.

Control of the tongue is excellent in all senses of the word. Physically this organ may be managed by depressing it into a hollow at a point three-quarters of an inch back of where the tip of it comes when in a natural position in the month and at the same time singing very light head tones. This exercise requires some patience at first, but the habit of keeping the tongue down is soon acquired. In speaking or singing it should not be allowed to hoop up and fill the mouth, thus interfering with the free passage of the tones of the voice from the throat to the front of the mouth, where they should strike and then escape clear as a bell. This hooping up of the tongue in the month is the cause of much of the indistinct and slovenly utterances to which we are too often obliged to listen.

In many people we notice the line from the point of the chin to the neck is in the form of a right angle. In a shapely throat this line forms a curve just as a canny's does when the small yellow artist is warbling his carols.

To develop the throat and make this angle a curve, stand before a mirror so that you may watch the throat swell out. Now thrust your tongue out as far as it will go, then draw it back quickly and forcibly, at the same time bringing it downward in the mouth as far as you can. Place your thumb and forefinger against the jaw-line (commonly called the Adam's apple), and if you are making the right movement you will feel the larynx pass downward. For a week or two make the movements lightly. After that time put as much force into it as you can. The exercise should be practiced for a few minutes several times a day to insure rapid and good results.

To fill up the hollows of the neck, stand correctly, and then slowly fill the lungs with air without elevating your shoulders. As the air is forced upward into the throat hold it there a few seconds and then expel slowly. This exercise is best performed soon after rising in the morning and before retiring at night.

—New York Post.

Pretension. The world is his who can see through its pretensions. What deafness, what stone blind custom, what overgrown sufferer you behold, is there only by your sufferance. See it to be a lie, and you have already dealt it its mortal blow.

—Emerson.

A Cure for Muscular Rheumatism.

Mrs. R. L. Lamson, of Fairmount, Illinois, says: "My sister used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for muscular rheumatism and it effected a complete cure. I keep it in the house at all times and have always found it beneficial for aches and pains. It is the quickest cure for rheumatism, muscular pains and lameness I have ever seen." For sale by Melville Bros., old postoffice corner, and C. W. Heister, 58 Public Square.

It May Save Your Life.

A dose or two of Foley's Honey and Tar will prevent an attack of pneumonia, grip or severe cold if taken in time. Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, LaGrippe, Hoarseness, Difficult Breathing, Hooping Cough, Infant Consumption, Asthma or Bronchitis. Gives positive relief in advanced stages of Consumption, Asthma or Bronchitis. Guaranteed.

Vorkamp's, n. e. cor. Main and Third sts.

THE ELEPHANT AND THE GIRAFFE.

Said the elephant to the giraffe, "Your neck is too long by one half." He replied, "Once your nose reaches down to your toes, At others you'd better not laugh." —St. Nicholas.

The secret of happiness, "Keep your liver right." Burdock Blood Bitters is nature's remedy for complaints of the liver or bowels.

HEART DISEASE BELIEVED IN 30 MINUTES.

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives prompt relief in all cases of Organic or Sympathetic Heart Disease in 30 minutes, and speedily effects a cure. It is a peerless remedy for Palpitation, Shortness of Breath, Smothering Spells, Pain in Left Side and all symptoms of a Diseased Heart. One dose convinces. Sold by Wm. Melville, D. Cramer.

Our Jury System.

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Kidneykura

FOR George Locke, Laramie, Wyo., writes on 8th inst. 1896: "I just want to inform you what your Kidneykura has done for me. I have been suffering from kidney trouble for years. I had pains in my back, irregular action of the bowels, and a general feeling of weakness. I had heard of and seen a cure for the best physicians but all to no effect. The Kidneykura has done the work and I am a well man. It will be instrumental in aiding others who are suffering from kidney trouble. I am at liberty to publish it."

strengthen the kidneys and cures all kidney diseases and enables them to do their work properly and thus purifies the blood. Pure blood means health and freedom from pain. Kidneykura does it. A dollar buys it from druggists or from us by mail. KIDNEYKURA, PREPARED BY DR. J. C. KIDNEY, 150 N. 1st St., St. Louis, Mo.

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THE HARLEY PHARMACY, LIMA, OHIO.

SCIENCE TOO SLOW.

Discovery of Cat Language Not Likely to Be of Much Use.

"We live and learn," said the ordinary man. "I always thought that a cat could either mew or purr or spit or leave it alone. It now seems that I've done an injustice to the beast's vocabulary. Professor Marvin Clark, I'm told, has been studying the language of cats, and has discovered 600 'primitive words.'"

"Of which," the mere boy said, "599 are either blasphemous or improper."

"The professor doesn't say so, and I don't see how you found it out."

"I see this professor says that cat language bears a resemblance to Chinese. It's rather rough to insult a fallen and vanquished nation that way."

Well, if there's anything in it," the ordinary man remarked, "it would account for the Ohio-Japanese war in a novel and perfectly satisfactory way. But really, when one comes to think of it, it is much easier to believe that cats talk than that monkeys talk. Cats and owls both make sounds exactly like the sound of a human voice. Given a churchyard, a dark night and a white cat, and you have all the materials of a ghost story."

"It's a pity," the journalist said, "that discoveries of this kind cannot be turned to some practical use. Why don't they discover the language of the horse? It would make driving much easier if you could tell the gee exactly what you wanted and explain to it verbally the perfectly innocuous character of any object at which it might be likely to shy."

"Ah!" said the eminent person. "Before that discovery arrives we shall have the auto cars and no horses at all." —Black and White.

Wind and Sound.

The means by which wind may be measured by its sound is a novelty in modern scientific research to which the attention of the National Academy of Sciences has been drawn by Professor Bunsen. He asserts that the whistling of the wind as it crosses a wire varies with the velocity, and that this can be computed from the pitch of the note observed in case of a given diameter of wire and for a given air temperature. A special micrometer attachment can be made to convey the sound, isolated from other noises to the observer at a distance. Thus every gust and variation of the wind can be studied in this way, and an idea of the actual direction of the gust can be had by means of the sounds obtained from three wires placed at right angles to one another.

One Continuous Round of Leisure.

Householder—See here, I've never had a chance of talking to anybody through that telephone since you put it in. I am always told they are busy.

Collector—Why don't you call on one of the girls at central? They're never busy.—Brooklyn Life.

They Peeled Them.

"Children, I hope you peeled the apples before eating them?" "Yes, mother, dear."

"What have you done with the peelings?" "Oh, we ate them after!"—Familiar-blatt.

Make it a point to see that your blood is purified, enriched and vitalized at this season by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Proof of Piety.

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Conscience Money.

A merchant in Biddleford, Me., a few days ago received a letter inquiring for a sheet of paper, on which the word "Conscience" was written. This calls to mind an old story of a thief who broke into a store in Skowhegan several years ago and secured a good sum of money from the cash drawer. A few months afterward the merchant received a letter in which was a \$10 bill and the following note: "I stole \$75 from your money drawer. Remorse gnaws at my conscience. When remorse gnaws again, I will send you some more."—Troy Times.

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NATIONAL POLITICS.

Interesting Political Notes From All Over the Country.

A Washington dispatch says Senator Bruce believes it will be impossible to carry the Ohio delegation for sound money if the president continues to maintain his silence on the third term question. For the past two weeks Bruce has, through his Ohio lieutenants, been making a quiet canvass of the state, and he finds that the five silver men have been using the third term notion with telling effect. He believes that if Cleveland were to write a letter taking himself out of the race Ohio, Indiana and Illinois would be carried by the sound money men and thus the day at Chicago could be saved. From the standpoint of the Ohio senator Cleveland never had nor never will have such an opportunity to make a personal sacrifice for the good of his party, and it is likely the matter will be laid before the president in this light early next week.

Chairman Gowdy of Indiana is arranging to have a meeting of the delegates to the St. Louis convention at an early day, and it is intimated that the purpose is to present to them a letter from ex-President Harrison declaring that he will not permit his name to be presented to the national convention.

Some of McKinley's friends say that Harrison has said to Gowdy that under no circumstances would he permit his name to be used in such a connection, and that he would reiterate the fact to the national delegates before the convention meets. The Harrison men, however, declare that no such sentiment has been uttered by the ex-president, and that if Gowdy expects to call a meeting of the delegates to receive such a letter they will be disappointed, as Harrison has said all that he intends to say upon the subject of his candidacy.

William H. ("Coin") Harvey has been pressed into the silver ranks of the Ohio silver war. He made his first speech at Greenville, Darke county, recently. That county has declared for silver, and it is due to Harvey's order, the Patriots of America. Clinton county is almost solid for silver, and Bruce's own county, Allen, has declared for silver. In many sets of resolutions passed in different counties both gold and silver have endorsed ex-Governor Campbell.

The Quayites of Philadelphia are more than pleased with the information received by them to the effect that Senator Quay has gone thus far that he will support the presidential nomination without incurring the enmity of the McKinley managers. The "combines," or anti-Quay men, still declare that Quay will not be in favor with McKinley should the latter be nominated and elected, and they are sure that David Martin will be the patronage dispenser in these parts that they are already discussing the claims of various men for the different federal offices.

Senator Gorman has all along said he did not care to go to the national convention at Chicago. The other day, for the first time, he said he would not go either as a delegate or as a private citizen. There is a strong feeling, however, that when the delegates at large are named at the state convention on June 10 his name will be found on the list. There is no doubt as to his ability to force himself as a delegate should he choose to do so. Such action would, however, result in another slaughtering of at least all the local ticket by the independents, even if the national ticket did not suffer also.

The Kentucky silver men have announced that another speaker, Jack Chum, one of Blackburn's strongest henchmen, and to suppress whom Governor Bradley called out the militia, will take the stump. Chum is at present in Louisville starting race horses.

At the close of the Louisville meeting he will go to Bowling Green, where he will make his first speech.

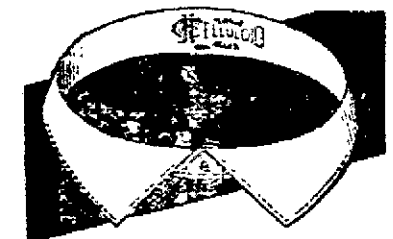
A SPLENDID CITY.

New York a Century Since and at the Present Time.

Greater New York, with its area of 359 square miles, will be the second largest city in the world. It has 1,100 churches, 80 postoffices, 37,000 business houses, 130,000 dwellings, 1,100 miles of street and elevated railways, 1,100 hotels, 350 public schools, a debt of \$170,000,000, taxable property of \$2,583,324,329 and a population of considerably over 3,000,000.

In the year 1800 the population of New York was 60,489 and of Brooklyn 2,378, a total of 62,867. The size and splendor of the consolidated city a century hence are entirely beyond the range of human conjecture.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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every day in the week, every week in the year, is assured to wearers of the "Celluloid" waterproof collars. Neither dirt nor water can hurt them. One will outwear six linen collars and save dollars in laundry bills. It costs nothing to keep them clean. A wet cloth or sponge is all you need use. Made in all styles and sizes. The



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To Pittsburgh, Washington, St. Louis, Chicago and elsewhere, via Pennsylvania Short Lines.

Special excursion tickets will be sold via Pennsylvania Short Lines as follows:

To Pittsburgh, May 24th, 25th and 26th, account the National Prohibition Convention; good returning until May 30th; also on June 6th, 7th and 8th for the North American Saengerbund Convention; good to return until June 13th.

To St. Louis, June 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th, for the Republican National Convention; good returning until June 21st inclusive.

To Chicago, July 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th, for the National Democratic Convention; good returning until July 12th.

To Washington, D. C., July 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, account the Christian Endeavor Convention; valid to return July 15th, with provision for extension of return limit until July 31st.

Special local excursions will also be sold during the season in addition to the foregoing. Please bear in mind the concessions in fare will be granted over the Pennsylvania Short Lines, the desirable route on which all the comforts of travel may be enjoyed. Applications for information addressed to passenger and ticket agents of the Pennsylvania System will be cheerfully and promptly answered. The person to see at Lima, O., is B. H. Oyler.

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Rub them in dry Indian meal until the oil and dust are removed.

All Free.

Those who have used Dr. King's New Discovery know its value, and those who have not, have now the opportunity to try it free. Call on the advertised Druggist and get a Trial Bottle Free. Send your name and address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills Free, as well as a copy of Guide to Health and Household Instructor, Free. All of which is guaranteed to do you good and cost you nothing. Melville's Drugstore.

A bottle of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup in the house saves doctors' bills, saves trouble, and very often saves precious lives. Gives almost instant relief in cases of coughs, colds, or lung troubles of any sort.

Have You Kidney Trouble?

A 50c. trial bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure will prevent serious results from this fatal disease. Vortkamp's, n. e. cor. Main and North sts.

CHICAGO & ERIE EXCURSIONS.

Presbyterian Church General Assembly, May 21st to June 3rd. For above meeting Chicago & Erie will sell excursion tickets from Lima at \$2.00. Train 8 of May 19th will have through Pullman cars direct to Saratoga.

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Democratic National Convention, Chicago, Ill., July 3rd to 10th.

On July 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th the Chicago & Erie will sell excursion tickets from Lima to Chicago and return for \$2.50, good returning until July 12th. Train No. 5 leaving Lima at 11:23 a. m., arrives in Chicago at 5 p. m. a delightful train to take.

National Educational Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

July 6th and 6th the Chicago & Erie will sell excursion tickets from Lima to Buffalo, N. Y., and return for \$2.50, good returning until July 12th, and may be extended until Sept. 1st.

Any information for above excursions apply to

F. C. McGuffey, Agent.

CRIDERSVILLE NEWS.

Frank Custer, of Lima, was in our burg on Thursday.

J. B. Shafer went to Van Wert on Wednesday, on business.

Oscar Harpster returned home from Hannibal, Mo., on last Saturday.

May Robinson, of Niles, O., was the guest of J. O. Hovers' over Sunday.

C. I. Beery rode to Middlepoint on his wheel, Saturday, returning home on Monday.

G. W. Menley and family of Ottawa are visiting with Mr. Menley's mother, Mrs. Mohler.

Mrs. A. C. Wood, of Kenton, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Hitchcock, of this place.

Mary Cookson and Louisa Brooke, of Mich., are the guests of David Barton's, this week.

T. W. Blackburn and family, of Wapakoneta, were the guests of J. O. Hovers, on last Sunday.

Mrs. T. M. Dotson and daughter Beatrice went to Van Wert on Tuesday, to visit with C. M. Corbets, of that place.

Misses Bessie and Ilo Kelly went to Ada on Tuesday to spend a part of the summer with their grand parents, Thos. Cary.

Jacob Dotson, Pierce Rhodes and George Stepleton drove to the Lewistown reservoir on Tuesday. They returned home Wednesday with 45 pounds of fish they caught with hook and line.

The G. A. R. of this place have appointed a committee to decorate graves of the old soldiers, on the 30th, and in the evening there will be speeches in the hall by Wm. Ruster, Wm. Broderick and others. Let all citizens turn out and honor the old soldiers. J. I. C.

WEST CAIRO.

Mrs. Simms is on the sick list.

D. C. Cooper was in Akron on business the first of the week.

Several excursionists went over the Lima Northern to Quincy, last Sunday.

Pro. C. W. Westbay returned Saturday from an extended visit in Illinois.

Children's Day will be observed by the M. E. Sunday school, June 14th. A splendid programme will be rendered.

An ice cream and strawberry festival will be given on the evening of May 30th, by the Christian Endeavor society.

The photograph concert given last Monday evening under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. was a decided success.

Messrs. C. S. Tharp and W. G. Fowler left Monday for Willimantic, Conn., at which place they will attend court this week.

During the storm Monday night lightning struck a large barn belonging to Robert Downing, killing a valuable horse instantly.

Rev. Robinson gave a very interesting talk Sunday evening, on the discipline of the M. E. church and the work of the general conference now being held in Cleveland.

Next Saturday will be a day long to be remembered by the people of this vicinity. An excellent programme will be rendered and all honor paid to the heroes, both dead and living. Let every patriot and everyone that loves his country assemble with us, and with us pay tribute to the preservers of our country. Mike

That Alters the Case.

"Have you heard about young Molard?" He has just walked off with 30,000 francs of his employer's money."

"Ha! ha! the lucky rascal!"

"Besides, he has bolted with your umbrella."

"Oh! the infernal scamp!"—*La Popeline*.

Mr. D. P. Davis, a prominent liveryman and merchant of Goshen, Va., has this to say on the subject of rheumatism: "I take pleasure in recommending Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism, as I know from personal experience that it will do all that is claimed for it. A year ago this spring my brother was laid up in bed with inflammatory rheumatism, and suffered intensely. The first application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm eased the pain, and the use of one bottle completely cured him. For sale by Melville Bros., old postoffice corner, and C. W. Heister, 58 Public Square.

To Wash Doeklin Gloves.

Wash them in warm water, wring as dry as possible; let them hang in the house away from the heat until two-thirds dry; then stretch until they are soft.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world to cure, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no money required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 35 cents per box. For sale by Melville Bros.

WAS SKEPTICAL.

Disappointment Made Him So. He Now Generously Endorses THE STATEMENTS HE DOUBTED

J. W. Griffith, Publisher of the "Morning County Sentinel," Mt. Gilead, Ohio, makes the following statement, which is characteristic of the man—sincere and to the point. He does not court notoriety, but wishes to benefit others by his own experience. "I have suffered for ten years or more from sleeplessness and nervous prostration. Unusual mental exertion or annoying circumstances during the day would make sleep impossible during the night. Often I would pass the entire night without a moment's sleep. I was very persistent in my efforts to find a remedy, and believe I used every kind of medicine sold in this locality for such troubles as mine; but the result was very discouraging. Some were useless, others gave only temporary relief. My attention was first directed to Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer by its advertisement in my paper. I naturally was skeptical, but the statements of its virtues were so well endorsed and had an air of sincerity that I concluded to try it. The effect was marvelous; my health improved at once; I gained twenty pounds of good, healthy flesh, and I have not had a sleepless night since. I awake in the morning rested, refreshed and thoroughly vigorous. I cannot express my opinion of Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer in more fitting words than to say—I heartily endorse it."

Such proof must surely overcome any doubt of the value of this potent medicine. It positively cures disease and makes health.

Sold by C. W. Heister.

Gingham Squares.

The pretty gingham squares sold for cushion coverings for the country house are shown this season in wonderfully soft, tasteful patterns, as well as in the gayly attractive ones that are so effective in the hammock or piled on piazza cushions. One of the simplest and gayest ones, as well as a very inexpensive one, is made from two large bandannas such as the southern "mamies" bind around their heads, although in cotton the dye is very fast, and two or three of these thrown on a dull sofa prove a wonderful brightener. Lovely pillows for white and gold rooms are of white silk, covered with a loosely done crocheted netting of white silk, studded at intervals with gold beads. Heavy gilt cord and tassels edge the pillow and finish the corners.—*New York Recorder*.

The Ocean's Temperature.

The extreme range of temperature in the ocean, according to a Royal Institution lecture by Dr. John Murray, never exceeds 52 degrees F., yet temperature has played a more important part in the distribution of marine organisms than in that of the air breathing and warm blooded animals of the land. The surface waters of the ocean have five well marked temperature areas—an arctic and antarctic circumpolar belt with a small range and a low temperature, a circumtropical belt with a small range and a high temperature, and two intermediate areas with large annual ranges of temperature. Vertically, the ocean may be divided into the superficial region, extending down to about 100 fathoms and the deep sea. The surface region, especially near the land, has a variety of conditions and an abundant fauna and flora; but plant life is absent in the uniform conditions of the deep sea, although animal life is abundant. The warm surface waters of the tropics have many species, but relatively few individuals, while the reverse is true in colder regions. Dr. Murray accounts for all the various facts in marine life distribution by supposing that in early geological times the whole globe had a uniform climate and an almost universal fauna and flora. The coral reefs of the arctic circle in the Paleozoic period were probably formed when the water had a temperature of about 70 degrees F.

He Could Cook.

A Lewiston man has been complaining lately that his wife does not pay enough attention to cooking "for tomorrow." At such times his wife has remarked, "Why don't you cook your self?" The last time she said this was at supper time Monday night. He didn't answer, but after supper he filled the cook stove with wood, took off his coat and started in. He got her cookbook down and began at the commencement, and made two pans of doughnuts, two batches of biscuit, molasses gingerbread, hearty pudding to fry for breakfast, cookies, tarts, six custard pies, boiled vegetables for breakfast hash, and in half an hour had the stove covered with dishes of all kinds. His wife went out into the kitchen and dropped speechless into a chair. At half past 11 that night he washed the last dish and closed the dumb waiter—filled with food which compared very well with some his wife had made and went to bed. The next noon his wife handed him a bill of \$7.49, which she said was the amount of raw material he had used the night before. "Are you going to cook as much as that every day?" she asked.—*Lewiston Journal*.

Built Her Up Wonderfully.

LIMA, O., April 22, 1896. I was taken with severe weakness which left me all broken down. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and in a short time I felt better. It cured me of weakness and built me up wonderfully. My husband and myself have been both benefitted by Hood's Sarsaparilla."

Mrs. E. L. KAISER, 341 North Street.

Hood's Pills cure indigestion, sick headache.

To Remove Spots of Paint.

Rub the spots with spirits of turpentine; if dry, drop it on the paint and let it remain; rub the spot, and if not removed repeat the process.

How are Your Kidneys?

Does Your Back Ache?

Dr. Hobbs' Sarsaparilla Kidney Pills

Make the kidneys strong and healthy. They cause the kidneys to filter all uric acid and other poisons from the blood. Healthy kidneys make pure blood.

Dr. Hobbs' Sarsaparilla Kidney Pills cure Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, Anemia, Pimples, Bad Blood, Bright's Disease, Malaria, Backache, Kidney Pains, Dropsy, Pain in the Abdomen, Frequent Urination, Inflammation of the Kidneys, etc. Endorsed by Physicians and Druggists. 50 cents a box. Sample Pills and Valuable Book free.

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TAKE A FILL (Trade-Mark), Dr. Hobbs' Little Liver Pills don't gripe. Only 10 Cents a Flat.

The Care of the Hair.

Every woman should know how to take care of her hair. It is not an uncommon sight now to see a woman under 30 with gray hair.

Perhaps some one will suggest that this is due to "higher education," and the amount of brain work done by the end of the century maiden. Not a bit of it. The fault lies in not taking proper care of the hair.

In our grandmother's day the girl who had the highest gloss on her hair considered herself superior to her neighbor in point of beauty. To obtain this effect the hair was oiled and seldom washed.

Now the girl who can make her hair stand out perfectly dry and crisp congratulates herself.

To do this she must shampoo the hair often and put ammonia and soda in the water. The former makes the hair gray in a few months, the latter produces a dry, unhealthy scalp and is apt to make the hair fall out.

Once every two weeks is not too often to shampoo the hair, and if a raw egg is put in the water it will thoroughly cleanse the hair and make it grow. Castile, tar or sulphur soaps are good.

The most successful bleach ever discovered is the sun. When the hair is drying, lower the window and let the sun shine on the hair through the glass.

Perhaps that is how the Greek maidens of old secured that burnished gold tint to their tresses. They "sat on the walls of the city and brushed their hair."—*New York Telegram*.

Dr. Peters, the "Explorer."

Dr. Peters once wrote a book entitled "New Light on Dark Africa," in which he shows us the sort of light that his work has thrown on that continent. In August, 1889, he started up the Tana river in British East Africa at the head of an armed force of Somali. Before the end of that month, by the capsizing of a canoe, he lost, among some loads of ammunition and brandy, "the only load of beads I possessed." He continued his journey, as he tells us, "without any articles of barter."

He of course had not sufficient food with him to last for the whole journey, and could not have carried it if he had. In consequence, as he explains, "the determination to advance without the requisite articles of barter once for all decided the character the expedition was for the future to bear." As the caravan was obliged to get food and had no money with which to buy it, food had to be stolen.

The subsequent history of the expedition is therefore one long story of raid, loot and massacre. No traveler has followed in Peters' footsteps without feeling the ill effects of the distrust of Europeans that has resulted from his action. The harm he did cannot be undone in less than a generation.—*Saturday Review*.

Value of a Slave.

When the slave trade was in full swing, it was a common thing for merchants on the west coast of Africa to purchase a cargo of rum and tobacco and give slaves in exchange. The price of a prime slave when Munro Park was among the Mandingos was from 9 to 12 minikallies, the equivalent of 1 minikalli being something like the following: Eighteen gun flints, 48 leaves of tobacco, 20 charges of gunpowder and a cutlass. Dr. Livingstone, than whom no explorer did more to expose the ravages of the slave trade, says he never knew of an African parent selling his own offspring. When on his first great missionary journey, he relates how, in a foray among the Makololos, 30 captives were given in exchange for three muskets. Livingstone is especially severe on the Bours for looting his mission station in 1852, killing many of the Bakwains and driving nearly 200 of his mission children into slavery. The Bours by so retarding his work and making him uncomfortable at Kolobong helped to decide him to move northward, a decision upon which hung the future of modern African progress.—*Chambers' Journal*.

On the Cat.

"A scientist named Mivart will soon issue a work on the cat," says a literary paper.

We have done that already. It was a heavy copy of Shakespeare's plays, and we issued it from a third story window, and it took her right between the shoulders, and we hope she liked the poetry of motion.—*London Tit-Bits*.

Why He Changed.

"Heard you sold your horse and bought a wheel?"

"Yep. I prefer the presentspin to the past span."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

REACHED AN AGREEMENT.

List of Important Bills to Be Considered in Congress.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The Republican senators held a caucus and decided upon the order in which bills on the calendar should be taken up. There was a general understanding that nothing should interfere with the consideration of conference reports on the appropriation bills and that no obstacle should be placed in the way of reaching a vote on the Butler bond bill.

Other bills are to be taken up and disposed of in the following order:

Filled cheese, introduced in the arts, fruit brandy, immigration, the percent land bill, labor commission, election of senators by the people, bankruptcy, contempt of courts, courts in Indian Territory, reorganization of the Northern Pacific Railroad company, Alabama election investigation, annual industry, New Hampshire war claims.

It is generally conceded that the list will be by no means completed before adjournment, and the prevailing opinion in the caucus was that it would be impossible to dispose of more than the first three measures, though the friends of the immigration bill will press it to consideration, if it be possible to do so. There was an effort to have the Pacific Railroad refunding bill placed fourth on the list ahead of the immigration bill, and a motion was made to this effect, and it was defeated and a definite decision reached not to attempt to take up this bill until the next session. On motion of Senator Nelson the caucus concluded not to accept any amendments to the filled cheese bill.

To Vote on Butler Bond Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The senate was called to vote on the Butler bond bill before adjournment on Tuesday next.

MARCH OF THE PLAGUE.

The Disease Is Rapidly Spreading in the Island of Formosa.

TACOMA, May 30.—The Northern Pacific liner Victoria brought news that the bubonic plague had broken out in the island of Formosa, and that at Anping, May 10, there were 19 deaths and 29 new cases. The deaths at Anping number from 10 to 15 a day. The disease is rapidly spreading and is doubtless now raging over the entire island.

Japan is suffering from typhoid fever. According to Yokohama advices of May 13 and 14, over 20,000 cases of fever have occurred in Kagawa prefecture. The Japan private sanitary association has arranged to dispatch a doctor to Kagawa at the request of the home minister.

Keck Found Guilty.

PHILADELPHIA, May 30.—Herman Keck, a member of the firm of Keck, Coeterman & Company, diamond importers of Cincinnati, was found guilty in the United States district court of attempting to smuggle diamonds. It was shown that Keck had given the captain of the steamer Rhynland a package containing 27,000 worth of diamonds addressed to T. Von Reith of 21 West Fourth street, Cincinnati. Counsel for Keck made a motion for a new trial.

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, May 30.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, increase \$30,175; loans, increase \$1,756,000; specie, increase \$914,590; legal tenders, increase \$72,900; deposits, increase \$1,832,900; circulation, increase \$73,400. The banks now hold \$23,230,761 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent rule.

Dickie Re-Elected Chairman.

PITTSBURGH, May 30.—The new national committee of the Prohibition party has completed arrangements for the campaign. Nominations for chairman resulted in the re-election of Samuel A. Dickie of Michigan.

Free Alcohol Knocked Out.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The senate has passed the bill repealing the section of the tariff law relative to rebates on alcohol used in the arts. It also passed the bill concerning the distilling of brandy from fruit.

Zeigler Won the Fight.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 30.—By persistent hard fighting, forcing the issue throughout, Owen Zeigler of Philadelphia bested Dan Hawkins in an eight-round contest, and got the decision and the purse.

MARKET REPORTS.

Grain and Stock Quotations For May 29.

New York.

Beef—Family, \$10.50@11.00; extra mess, \$7.50@8.00; packed, \$11.00@11.50. Cattle—Prime, \$10.50@11.00; extra, \$11.00@11.50. Hogs—Light, \$10.50@11.00; heavy, \$11.00@11.50. Sheep—Native, \$10.50@11.00; foreign, \$11.00@11.50. Wheat—No. 1, \$1.15@1.20; No. 2, \$1.10@1.15; No. 3, \$1.05@1.10. Corn—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Oats—No. 1, \$0.80@0.85; No. 2, \$0.75@0.80; No. 3, \$0.70@0.75. Rye—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Barley—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Clover—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Hay—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Potatoes—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Apples—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Peaches—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Plums—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Cherries—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Strawberries—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Raspberries—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Blackberries—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Currants—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Grapes—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Figs—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Dates—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Prunes—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Walnuts—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Almonds—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Pistachios—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Cashews—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Pecans—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Macadamia—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Brazil—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Copra—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Coconut—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Palm—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Olive—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Sesame—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Sunflower—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Cottonseed—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Linseed—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Flaxseed—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Hempseed—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90@0.95. Castor—No. 1, \$1.00@1.05; No. 2, \$0.95@1.00; No. 3, \$0.90

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OFFICIAL CALL.

Rooms of the Democratic State
Committee
755 S. HIGH STREET, COLUMBUS, OHIO.At a meeting of the Democratic State Cen-
tral Committee held at Columbus, Ohio, on
the 10th day of April, 1896, to make arrange-
ments for the State Convention, it was order-That the date of said convention be fixed
for Tuesday and Wednesday, June 2 and 3,
1896.That the place of meeting be Columbus,
Ohio.The district caucuses will be held on the
evening of June 2d, at such an hour and
such a place as may be designated by the
Committee of Arrangements.The convention will meet for temporary
organization and to receive the reports of
the district meetings at 10 a. m., June 2d.A resolution was adopted directing that no
delegate shall be chosen to said convention
by the Central or Executive Committee of
any county.At said convention four delegates-at-large
and four alternates-at-large to the National
Democratic Convention shall be chosen.There will also be chosen two electors-at-
large. Also a candidate for Secretary of
State, a candidate for Supreme Judge, a can-
didate for Dairy and Food Commissioner,
and a candidate for Board of Public Works.The ratio of apportionment and represen-
tation in said convention was fixed at one
delegate for every 500 votes or any fraction of
250 or more votes for east James K. Campbell
for Governor at the National Convention.Under said apportionment each county
will be entitled to the following number of
delegates:

Adams	8	Licking	13
Allen	6	Lorain	1
Ashtabula	2	Lucas	14
Belmont	2	Madison	10
Brown	5	Marion	2
Butler	2	Medina	3
Carroll	1	Meigs	2
Champaign	3	Miami	2
Clark	2	Monroe	7
Cleves	1	Morgan	3
Columbiana	3	Monroe	3
Crawford	2	Muskingum	12
Cuyahoga	33	Noble	2
Darke	6	Oakman	6
Delaware	2	Paulding	6
DeWitt	2	Perry	2
Franklin	4	Pike	4
Fulton	2	Portage	2
Geauga	1	Putnam	2
Greene	1	Richland	10
Hamilton	2	Ross	8
Hancock	2	Sarab	10
Hardin	1	Shelby	10
Harrison	2	Summit	10
Henry	2	Trembly	2
Hocking	2	Tuscarawas	3
Holmes	2	Union	2
Huron	2	Van Wert	2
Jackson	2	Wayne	2
Jefferson	2	Williams	2
Jones	2	Wyandot	2
Lawrence	2		

Total
JAMES CARR, Secretary.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The Democrats of the Fourth Congressional
District of Ohio will meet in convention at
St. Marys, Ohio, on

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 1896,

at 10 o'clock a. m., to put in nomination a
candidate for congress for said district, to be
voted for at the next general election, said
district being composed of the counties of
Angela, Allen, Darke, Mercer and Shelby,
and to transact such business as may properly
come before said convention. The basis of
representation in said district convention
will be one to every one hundred votes cast
for James K. Campbell for governor, at the
November election of 1894, and one vote for
every fraction of fifty or over. This gives
the counties comprising the district the fol-
lowing representation in the convention:

Counties	Votes for Campbell	Delegates
Allen	4424	44
Angela	3800	38
Darke	4591	46
Mercer	4202	42
Shelby	3171	32

Total number of votes, 20,288.
Necessary two-thirds, 13,525.By order of the Democratic district com-
mittee of the Fourth Congressional District
of Ohio.R. B. GORDON, JR., Chairman.
M. STUBBART, Secretary.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Probate Judge,
THEODORE D. ROBB.For Clerk of the Court,
U. M. SHAPPELL.For County Auditor,
PHILIP WALTHER.For County Recorder,
ABRAM HARROD.For Prosecuting Attorney,
J. C. RIDENOUR.For Infirmary Director,
ELI MECHLING.For Commissioner,
T. C. BURNS.Tom Reed thus sizes up McKin-
ley's money views: "McKinley doesn't
want to be called a gold bug nor a
silver bug, so he has compromised on
a straddle bug."The Boston Herald sarcastically
remarks: "that if McKinley endorsed
notes for \$118,000, when he was only
worth \$10,000, it came very near be-
ing a sixteen to one transaction."The futile effort of the national
Prohibition convention to fasten a
free and unlimited silver coinage
plank in their platform, has tempo-
rarily at least, given heart to the
"sound money" adherents.Unless the Republican newspapers
of Ohio are made to halt, McKinley's
cabinet, in case of his nomination
and election, will be all from this
state. The last to be given a place
is that prince of political dema-
gogues, Col. Brigham, of Fulton
county, who is named for Secretary
of Agriculture.Another Memorial Day. Many of
the country's defenders passed to the
silent majority since its last obser-
vance, and still the custom of paying
tribute, through words and flowers,
to the fallen heroes is the most care-
fully obeyed of any truly American
institution. All ages participate in
the patriotic reverence, and so it will
be when those who fought the bat-
tles are all gone.Just for the purpose of rubbing it
in, for no other reason can be assigned,
the Republican-Gazette this morning
reproduced Moses D. Handy's article
to the Chicago Times Herald, in its
entirety, in which the gentleman, in
speaking of the leading Ohio Repub-
lican politicians, neglected to men-
tion Waldorf, Hall and Morris. The
pith of the reproduction rests on the
fact that the three Allen county gen-
tlemen do not look through the For-
aker glasses.MCKINLEY AND THE PRESI-
DENCY.Ex-Governor McKinley is an in-
stance of the chances that are open
to all Americans. A man of no un-
usual endowments, a legislator of the
ordinary type, a speaker without any
special oratorical gifts, yet by having
had his name associated with a tariff
law that increased the taxes of his
countrymen and made the govern-
ment a partner in a scheme of policy
which was calculated to build up the
fortunes of the few at the expense of
the many—a scheme of policy which
the country condemned in the elec-
tions of 1892, but which the depres-
sion of the times (due to causes which
every well-informed observer and stu-
dent of economic changes knows to
be wholly independent of Democratic
legislation) has apparently reinstated
in the popular favor—he has been
brought forward as the favorite pre-
sidential candidate of his party, and
is the candidate most likely to be
nominated at the approaching St.
Louis convention. If that should oc-
cur, could he be elected?Those who think so have not
closely scrutinized the present condi-
tion of the tariff controversy. The
result of investigation and discussion
has convinced a large body of our
countrymen, irrespective of party,
that a tariff for protection is false in
theory and not only unjust, but in-
jurious in practice. That body of
independent voters will record their
votes against the candidate whose
election at the polls would mean the
reopening of the tariff question and
the reimposition of burdensome taxes
upon the country—taxes not in the
interest of the Federal Treasury, but
in the interest of individual benefi-
ciaries.Again, upon a burning question
like the free coinage of silver, those
who, irrespective of politics, advocate
it, and those who oppose it, alike de-
mand a candidate whose views shall
be unequivocal and outspoken, and
whose past shall not contradict his
present. It will not do to say that
if the platform shall be right the
candidate will also be right. The
candidate who should accept and
stand upon a platform with a mental
reservation might give it a wholly
different meaning when it should
come to be practically applied. His
lukewarmness might embarrass legis-
lation, and by unseen and unsus-
pected but potent influences, actually
defeat it. A doctrine that has not
the support of one's convictions
is not apt to be very effectively
promoted either in the professor's
chair or in the chair of State. Henry
the Fourth said Paris was
worth a mass; and the former Protes-
tant became a Catholic. Major Mc-Kinley, the whilom advocate of sil-
ver, might in like manner think the
Presidency worth a profession of gold
monometallism. When, subsequent-
ly, the Silver shen should whisper in
melodious strain in his listening ear
the story of his former love he would
be apt to exclaim: "I hate fetters
though they be of gold." Those ar-
dent supporters of the gold standard
who are bound by the withes of par-
ty, and who are indifferent to Mc-
Kinley's present non-committalism
and his past record and would ad-
vocate his election, in case of his nom-
ination, upon the words of a plat-
form, would be likely to awaken to a
bitter disappointment, and in that
awakening the words of the platform
would afford them little consolation.
The election for President this
year is likely to be one of the most
interesting in our history. New ele-
ments have been evolved; old associa-
tions have been broken up; the po-
litical prophets are at fault; and
amid the clashing of new forces and
new combinations Mr. McKinley, in
case of his nomination, may be ground
between the upper and neither mill-
stones.—Philadelphia Record.

Has Indian Blood In Her Veins.

COLUMBUS, O., May 30.—Max Hyme-
man is a peddler, and when he retired
home his wife was missing. The neigh-
bors informed the husband that Mrs.
Hymeman had packed up and left, tell-
ing them to say good-bye to her husband
for her when he returned. Mr. Hyme-
man says his wife has Indian blood in
her veins, and he thinks she has gone
to her people in Arkansas.

Stabbed a Girl and Shot Himself.

CLEVELAND, May 30.—Tony Scarom-
meille, an Italian, 26, stabbed and ter-
ribly mutilated Caroline Abbey, an
Italian girl, 16, living at 31½ Hill street,
with whom he was in love. He then
drew a pistol and sent a bullet through
his own brain, dying almost instantly.
The tragedy resulted from the refusal
of the girl to marry Scarommeille. She
is fearfully cut but may recover.

Died at the Breakfast Table.

CALDWELL, O., May 30.—Mrs. Fred
Shaffer, a highly respected lady of the
South Side, fell dead at the breakfast
table while eating.

Fired by a Locomotive.

FLAT ROCK, O., May 30.—A spark
from an engine set fire to the United
Brethren church here, and the building
was destroyed, as was also several
barns. Loss \$3,000, with but little in-
surance.

Must Keep Off the Ice.

COLUMBUS, O., May 30.—The supreme
court holds that a person who volun-
tarily walks on icy pavements where
the ice is plainly visible can not recover
damages for any injuries sustained.

Engineer Severely Injured.

MASSILLON, O., May 30.—Engineer
Moody Frederick was severely injured
as a result of a collision in the Massil-
lon yards of the Cleveland, Lorain and
Wheeling railway.

Killed at a Festival.

NORTH VERNON, Ind., May 30.—The
report has reached here of a fatal shoot-
ing affray at Hayden, seven miles west
of here. It occurred at a festival. A
young man named Cobb shot two
brothers named Graves, killing both of
them. Excitement runs high, as both
victims were of a prominent family.

A Milling Company Assigns.

WINONA, Minn., May 29.—Lemuel C.
Porter, engaged in the manufacture
and sale of flour under the name of L.
C. Porter Milling company, made an as-
signment. Assets estimated at \$200,
000; liabilities, same.

On a Serious Charge.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 30.—A
negro giving his name as Charles Ban-
non was arrested by Detective Mehen
charged with attempting to assault a
servant girl at Grimm's restaurant.

Adjourned Sine Die.

DETROIT, May 30.—The twenty-first
annual convention of the Amalgamated
Association of Iron and Steel Workers
adjourned sine die. Next year's meet-
ing will be held here.

Vacation Schools.

More and more it is found to be un-
wise and unsafe in our towns and cities
to let the children run loose and un-
tamed in the streets during the long
summer vacation. To remedy the evil
schools of various kinds, with in-
struction different from the children's regular
studies, have been established in some
of the cities and with great success.
The relief to the children's parents, to
the farmers, gardeners and country
dwellers adjoining the towns in which
these children live and have their be-
ing, is untold. There is no greater
nuisance in life than the idle schoolboy
during summer vacation.The instruction in some of the vaca-
tion schools includes drawing, carpenter
work, clay modeling and various me-
chanical branches. For the smallest
children a kindergarten, with its useful
and gentle teaching, is maintained.
For girls part of the instruction in-
cludes sewing and housekeeping. The
chief difficulty to be met in establishing
such classes would be the want of
funds. In all cases boards of education
could throw open the schoolhouses
freely for centers of the instruction, but
money would be needed to pay teachers
and get needed material. To defray
part of these expenses the usual meth-
ods of giving entertainments, fairs,
dramatic and musical evenings might
be resorted to. For the rest, wealthy in-
dividuals willing to do something for
humanity should help by generous sub-
scriptions the vacation school, which
would give useful knowledge to chil-
dren and peace to everybody. Botanical
classes in the open air would be a noble
adjunct to the instruction.

Constitution of France.

Unless President Faure dissolves the
French parliament, it will go on till
1897, when it will expire legally.
France's system of national government,
although it was made nearly a century
later than ours, trusts the common peo-
ple still less than the founders of our re-
public did.The French national assembly con-
sists, like ours, of two bodies. They are
the chamber of deputies and the senate.
These two together elect the president of
France. He serves seven years unless his
full term is shortened, as it sometimes
is, by his assassination or resignation.
By the time he finishes his term of
seven years, if he is sensible and knows
when he has had enough, he is ready to
quit. Thus there is not the same tem-
ptation to work for a second or even a
third term that lies before the president
of the United States.It is the national assembly, however,
that presents features most different
from ours. The members of the chamber
of deputies are elected for four years.
The members of the senate are elected
for different terms. There are 300 of
them. Of these 225 are elected directly
by the people of the different depart-
ments and colonies. The rest are elected
by the two parliamentary bodies which
constitute the national assembly. Sev-
enty-five of the senators serve for life.
Thus, no matter what happens, the na-
tional assembly is apt to be loaded down
with certain venerable fossils who can-
not be got rid of by any elective process
and whom it would be unparliamentary
to kill.

By the Ammonia Route.

WOOSTER, O., May 30.—Joseph Mas-
soni attempted suicide because his wife
left him. He was found in the cellar
writing in agony from the effects of
drinking a quantity of ammonia. His
mouth and throat are burned terribly.

Disatisfied Workmen.

MASSILLON, O., May 30.—J. S.
Coxey's quarrymen have joined the
American Federation of Labor. Until
recently they worked 12 hours getting
\$1.25 a day. The hours have been re-
duced to eight and wages accordingly.
Dissatisfaction prevails.

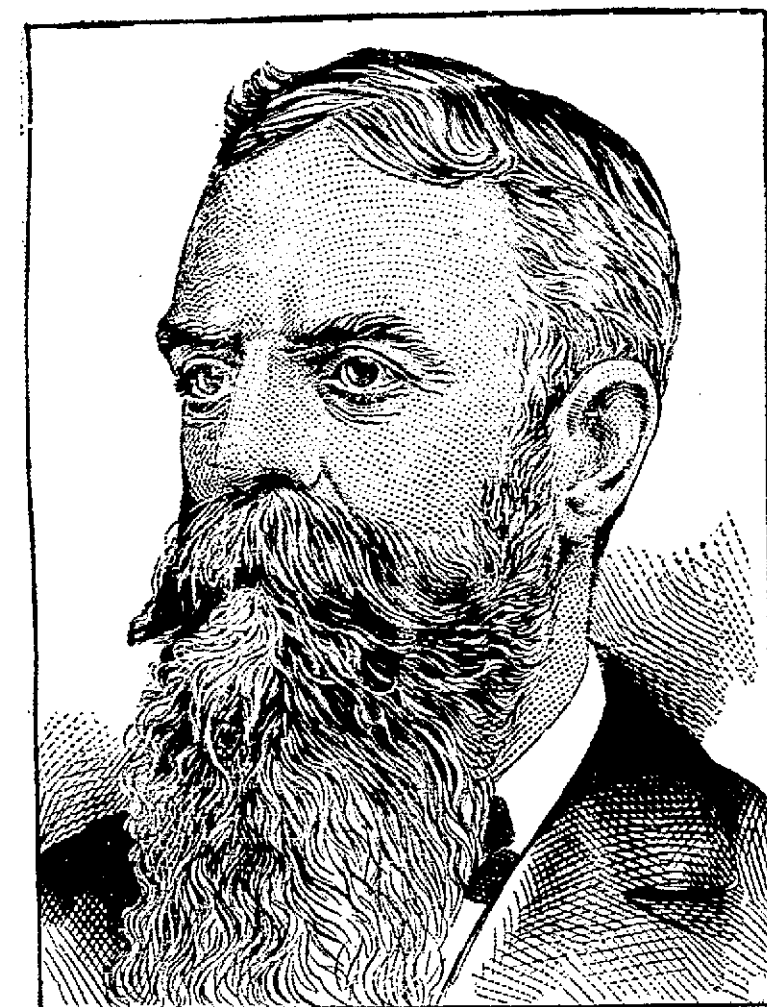
No Females Admitted.

MIDDLETOWN, O., May 30.—The
Evangelical Lutheran Joint synod of
Ohio, in session here, voted by a large
majority against the admission of fe-
male students at the Woodville semi-
nary.

ALL CHICAGO KNOWS HIM!

W. W. Watson, Leading Real Estate Man,
Restored to Health By

Paine's Celery Compound.

CHICAGO, March.—Mr. W. W. Wat-
son's reputation throughout the West for
unerring judgment in the valuation of land
has made him foremost among the most
conservative, careful class of investors in
Chicago.Unlike many hard driven business men,
the owner of "Alpine Heights," that splen-
did suburb of Chicago, has not neglected
his health on account of his exacting busi-
ness. The following unexpected statement
from Mr. Watson shows how consistent with
his life-long, careful, conscientious and suc-
cessful business habits has been his atten-
tion to getting well. He states in the
Times Herald:"Upon the recommendation of a friend, I
used Paine's Celery compound for headache,
constipation, indigestion and loss of sleep,
and found it all it was recommended to be.
I suffer no more from headaches, sleep
soundly at night and am now in perfect
health. This is the only medicine that I
have ever taken for these complaints, which
has benefited me at all.""W. W. WATSON,"
225 Dearborn Street.Busy men and women are apt to think
there is always time to get well.
The fact that only one person in a hun-
dred dies of old age shows how recklessly
men and women postpone attending to
their health and allow it to go to pieces,
while they devote themselves heart and
soul to affairs that are trifling in com-
parison. Wives and mothers have no greater
duty than to see that those dear to them do
not become so absorbed in the work of pro-
viding for the household as to lose their
health and shorten their days.No more thoughtful step could be taken
during the spring days that are now here
than to urge such tired and often irritable
home providers to take Paine's celery com-
pound.This great compound will banish that
tired feeling, cleanse the blood and regulate
the nerves.Attend the Great Auction Sale
Of Lots in Seinsheimer's Auction of
Clifton, Tuesday, June 2nd, at one
o'clock. 5 2t

WANTED.

WILL EMPLOY three ladies to sell staple
articles. Salary and expenses paid.
Call at Harrod House. L. H. T.WANTED—Furnished room or suite of
rooms for man and wife. South Lima
preferable. Address H. J. Jury, O. & B. de-
pot. 1tWANTED—A girl for general housework,
at A. Watson's, corner Spring and Main
streets. 5-3tFOR SALE—Strictly high grade Special
bicycle for lady. Interchangeable bar so
gent can use it. In perfect order; used but
little; a bargain. 414 West Spring, after 6:30
p. m. 5-3tWANTED—A competent girl for general
housework. Call at 755 South Main st.
5tWANTED—To take orders in every town and
city; no delivery, good wages, pay
weekly; no capital; steady work. GLEN
BROS., Rochester, N. Y. 161 2d m w sWANTED—Men to act as local and travel-
ing salesmen. Experience not neces-
sary. Salary or commission, as preferred. A
good chance for energetic men. Write for
particulars. The R. G. Chas. company, the
Chase Nursery, Geneva, N. Y. 72 1st edWANTED—A competent girl for general
housework. Call at 755 South Main st.
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GIVEN AWAY!

AN ELEGANT PARLOR SUIT,

—AND A—

CHOICE CORNER LOT,

—AT THE—

AUCTION SALE OF LOTS

OF

SEINSHEIMER'S ADDITION

Of Clifton to Lima, Tuesday, June 2nd, 1896, 1 p. m.

ON THE GROUNDS. PRICES VERY LOW AND TERMS VERY EASY.

CYCLING.

The L. C. C. Track Opened
This Afternoon.

RACING MEN POT HUNTING.

Clyde Roberts Gets a Big Start at Indianapolis—Allan Richmond's Chances Slim at Cleveland—Cycling News of General Interest.

The outlook for a successful opening of the Lima Cycling Club track appeared very gloomy this morning when the drizzling rain began to fall, but the boys managed to keep the fires of their hopes inflated with the possibility of an hour's sunshine before time to call the first race. About noon they thought their chances for races to-day were "punctured," and the racing board decided that the opening meet would be postponed until next Wednesday evening. But a few minutes later when sunshine appeared it was decided to give the meet this evening, as already arranged for.

Carpenters have been at work all this week rebuilding the grand stand at the cycle track and their work is almost completed. The stand has been raised so that the lower platform is about five feet above the ground and the whole structure has been turned at an angle so that spectators can see down the home stretch without standing up, as they did last year, at the finish of each race. The seats have also been made considerably higher and are more comfortable.

The work on the race track has gone steadily along, and but for the rain to-day, it would have been in excellent condition. The bank at the lower turn is fine, and sufficiently high that tandem races may be given.

Ex-policeman Hugh Patton, Jr., has been employed to serve as a special policeman at the track, and he will see that no one has the use of the track except members of the club. Boys will no longer be permitted to play ball on the grounds.

Clyde Roberts, the white headed flyer, who is now a member of the L. C. C., went to Indianapolis day before yesterday to compete in the 13 mile road race given there to-day. It is said that the handicappers gave them seven and a half minutes start ahead of the scratch men. If this be true the chances are that the "white-head" will be on the train and on his way home by the time the scratch men finish.

Allan Richmond went to Cleveland a week ago to ride in the 25 mile road race there to-day, but it is thought that his chances are slim in the field of riders he will compete with.

The National Circuit Meet here July 23, promises to be the greatest cycling event ever given in this city.

SABBATH SERVICES.

UNION MISSION.

Finch block, just south of Main street bridge. Devotional meeting at 7:30 a. m.; Sabbath School, 2 p. m.; praise meeting, 3 p. m.; revival meeting, 7:30 p. m.; holiness meeting at 7:30 Tuesday evening; prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:30. All are cordially invited.

CALVARY REFORMED CHURCH, corner of High and Cemetery streets. Pastors' farewell address in the morning at 10 and evening at 7:30. Sunday School at 3 p. m.

TRINITY M. E. CHURCH. Bibles, 9 a. m.; preaching, 10 a. m.; Hallelujah, 11:30 a. m.; League at 6:30 p. m. No service in the evening at 7:30. The people invited. J. R. BETHARDS, Pastor.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Union street. Services as follows: Sunday School at 9 a. m.; English services at 10:15 a. m.—theme, "A Glorifying of the Divine Councils"; Luther League at 6:30 p. m.; English services in the evening at 7:30—theme, "Christianity Under the Similitude of a Vine." All welcome. F. W. ROHLING, Pastor.

MARKET STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. R. J. Thomson at 10 a. m. Subject: "The Ideal Church." At 7:30 service for women only. Rev. I. J. Miller will preach. Sunday school at 11:30. No Christian Endeavor. A cordial welcome to all services.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, Wayne street. Preaching 10:30 a. m. Subject: "God's Building." Sunday school 9:15 a. m. Junior O. E. 5 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:00 p. m. Join the union service in the evening. Let all come to morning service. C. A. HILL.

CHRIST CHURCH, North and West streets. Holy communion at 7:30 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon at 10 o'clock; Sunday school at 11:30 a. m.; holy baptism at 3 o'clock; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 o'clock. Music by vested choir. All welcome. C. B. CRAWFORD, Rector.

ST PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Tanner street, Rev. J. H. Hutton, pastor. Services on Trinity Sunday

at 10:15 a. m.; Sunday school at 9 a. m.; Young People's Luther League at 6:30 p. m. All are invited to these services.

SOUTH SIDE BAPTIST MEETING. Preaching in W. C. T. U. hall, on Kirby street west of Main, by Rev. George Byron Morse at 3:30 p. m.

MILLS' MEETINGS FOR SUNDAY. 10 a. m.—Mr. Mills will preach in Grace M. E. church, all South Side congregations uniting. The church will be supplied with Mills' hymn books, Mr. Mills conducting the music.

3:30 p. m.—Mr. Mills will preach in the Congregational church. This meeting will be open to both men and women.

7:30 p. m.—Mr. Mills will preach in the Congregational church to men only. Subject: "What Shall Society Do to be Saved?" Admission will be by ticket only. Those who have not tickets may obtain them by calling at the Y. M. C. A. rooms or from pastors of churches. Mr. Hillis will sing.

7:30 p. m., in the south Main street Presbyterian church, Rev. J. H. Bethards will address a meeting of women.

7:30 p. m., in the Market street Presbyterian church, Rev. I. J. Miller will address a meeting of women.

OIL AND GAS.

BLUFFTON FIELD.

The Sun Oil Co. completed No. 6 on the Asa Battles, Sr., last week, and were rewarded with a good producer. No. 9 on the same farm is in the sand, with a fair showing.

The Putnam Oil Co. have made a new location on the John Scheutz farm, just 500 feet northwest of their producing well on the Reichenbach farm. The rig is already being put up.

The Ohio is building rigs for No. 2 on the Robert Battles farm and No. 4 on the Wm. Fisher farm. The rigs have been completed on the Geo. Rupright No. 1 and Joe Henry Nos. 2 and 3. Drilling will begin at once on the latter.

The Ohio has made no new location the past week, the first week for several months. They are getting pretty well caught up with the urgent wells to protect leases, and it is probable that the drilling in the future will not be pushed so rapidly.

The average production of the wells in the Bluffton field is placed at about 12 barrels per day.

The Ohio got a good well on the Wm. Fisher farm this week. It was shot Tuesday and is estimated at 150 barrels.

The Ohio's No. 1 on the Ben Leitch was shot last week and pumped 60 barrels of oil in the first twenty-four hours.

Goodkind & Son have drilled in a big well on the Showater farm in Sec. 5. It flowed through the casing before it was completed.

The Ohio's No. 1 on the Philip Pi fer and N. 2 on the McKinley cased Wednesday.

The Ohio's Wm. Gallant No. 2 was shot Monday and will make about 25 barrels.

The A. W. Scothorn No. 8 was shot last Saturday and started off at about 125 barrels.

The Ohio shot their Stephen Cook well No. 3 last week. It will make a good pumper.—Bluffton News.

WANT A RECEIVER.

The Ohio & Indiana Oil Company has filed suit in common pleas court against David F. Brubaker and others for the appointment of a receiver and equitable relief. The action is brought to secure the payment of a judgment of \$116.40 secured in the common pleas court at the February term.—Wood Co. Democrat.

Porter & Hill are just now receiving congratulations over their lucky strike in the Plain township field. Wednesday they shot their No. 1 on the Hower farm, section 26, and it started at a lively gate, approximating 200 barrels. Messrs. Porter & Hill have a number of good leases in the immediate vicinity.—Wood Co. Democrat.

Say, Boys and Girls!

Eat your ICE CREAM at Cardosi & Co.'s to-night, and listen to the Pittsburgh Imperial orchestra.

Try Simons Bros.' Ice Cream Soda.

School Bond Election.

A special meeting of the school board was held last evening to take action in regard to the issuance of bonds, and passed the following resolution:

"Be it Resolved, That the question of issuing the bonds of Lima Union School District be submitted to the vote of said District, as provided in the special act of the late legislature, in February, 1896."

Lot Owners' Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the lot owners of the Woodlawn Cemetery Association, will be held at the office of the secretary—3rd floor of No. 34 public square—June 9th, at 7:30 p. m. J. R. HUGHES, Secretary.

Try Simons Bros.' Ice Cream Soda.

Knight of Ancient Essenic Order. Meeting on Monday evening, June 1st, at 7:30, for work. C. J. BROMBERG, Secy.

Try Simons Bros.' Ice Cream Soda.

PORCUPINE QUILLS

They Work Their Way Into the Flesh in a Distressing Way.

The quill of a porcupine is like a bad habit. If it once gets hold, it constantly works deeper and deeper, though the quill has no power of motion in itself. It is the live, active flesh that draws it in by means of the barbed point. One day my boy and I encountered a porcupine on the top of one of the Cat-hills, and we had a little circus with him. We wanted to wake him up and make him show a little excitement if possible. Without violence or injury to him we succeeded to the extent of making his eyes fairly stand out from his head, but quicken his motion he would not—probably could not.

What astonished and alarmed him seemed to be that his quills had no effect upon his enemies. They laughed at his weapons. He stuck his head under a rock and left his back and tail exposed. This is the porcupine's favorite position of defense. "Now come if you dare!" he seems to say. Touch his tail, and like a trap it springs up and strikes your hand full of little quills. The tail is the active weapon of defense. With this the animal strikes. It is the outpost that delivers its fire before the citadel is reached. It is doubtless this fact that has given rise to the popular notion that the porcupine can shoot its quills, which, of course, it cannot do.

With a rotten stick we sprang at the animal's tail again and again till its supply of quills began to run low and the creature grew uneasy. "What does this mean?" he seemed to say, his excitement rising. His shield upon his back, too, we trifled with, and when we finally drew him forth with a forked stick his eyes were ready to burst from his head. Then we laughed in his face and went our way. Before we had reached our camp I was suddenly seized with a strange, acute pain in one of my feet. It seemed as if a large nerve was being roughly sawed in two. I could not take another step. Sitting down and removing my shoe and stocking, I searched for the cause of the paralyzing pain. The foot was free from mark or injury, but what is this little thorn or fang of thistle doing on the ankle? I pulled it out and found it to be one of the lesser quills of the porcupine. By some means during our "circus" the quill had dropped inside my stocking, the thing had "took," and the porcupine had his revenge for all the indignities we had put upon him. I was well punished. The nerve which the quill struck had unpleasant memories of it for many months afterward.

When you come suddenly upon the porcupine in his native haunts, he draws his head back and down, puts up his shield, trails his broad tail and waddles slowly away. His shield is the sheaf of larger quills upon his back, which he opens and spreads out in a circular form so that the whole body is quite hidden beneath it.—John Burroughs in St. Nicholas.

Mica.

For industrial uses the various kinds of commercial mica have of late come into surprisingly extensive demand, far beyond what is supposed by those familiar only with its long time use in stove fronts. The three principal varieties employed are the muscovite or white

TIME IS MONEY!

You can save both time and money
if you will go direct to . . .

AVERY'S SHOE STORE

When in need of Shoes. For that is the place where you can always get the full worth of your money. Now this is no joke. Come in and we will convince you that our Special Sale is going on all the time.

See some of the latest styles in our window.

Yours Truly,

I. E. AVERY.

WEBB'S OLD STAND.

Mica, the photophore or amber mica and the biotite or black mica. The first occurs in greatest quantities in granites and gneiss and is much used for stove panels, for which purpose it must be clear and free from spots, the best being of a ruby wine color when it blocks, the white color coming next in value. Phlogopite is used for electrical purposes and should be smooth, free from wrinkles and crevices; must split easily, also be very flexible and able to stand a high temperature without disintegrating, while dark spots lessen its value. Waste mica is ground and used as a lubricant for heavy bearings, in certain insulating compounds, for decorating wall papers, etc., and as a fertilizer. Scrap mica, another feature of the trade, is made up into large sheets by a process well known to the trade.—New York Sun.

Kissing in Iceland.

When you visit a family in Iceland, you must kiss each member, according to his age or rank, beginning with the highest and descending to the lowest, not even excepting the servants. On taking leave the order is reversed. You first kiss the servants, then the children and lastly the master and mistress. Both at meeting and parting an affectionate kiss on the mouth without distinction of rank, age or sex is the only mode of salutation known in Iceland.—Chicago Record

When He's Down.

"You can't keep a good man down," said the proverb loving boarder.

"Not," said the typewriter boarder, "not unless he has a seat in the car. Then you can't get him up."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Miss Gertrude Simmons.

Miss Gertrude Simmons, the Indian girl who was awarded second honors at the Indiana state oratorical college contest, defeated the men speakers of the senior, junior and sophomore classes for the honor of representing Earlham college. Miss Simmons is a full blood Sioux of South Dakota, and lived the usual life of an Indian girl on a reservation until she was 8 years old. She then went to White's institute at Wash, Ind., which was closed last year. Last September she entered Earlham college, Richmond, Ind., with the intention of taking the regular four years course. She is partly supporting herself by teaching music. She is proficient in the English, French and Sioux languages, and is preparing herself for work among her people.

The mocking bird seems to have a genuine sense of humor. Often when engaged in the most charming imitation of some songbird it will suddenly stop and break out with the quacking of a duck or some other ludicrous sound.

OCCUPY PAUL'S EFFECTIVE PRAYER.

This story may not be true, but it is far from impossible.

Here is a little anecdote told, not by a malicious wit, but by a Boer. In the early days, before the Transvaal was a republic, there was a famine in the land, and a party was organized to hunt the hartbeest. For days the party searched the veldt in vain; there was no sign of game of any description. Then one of the Boers declared his intention of retiring into the bush to pray for success, as did the patriarchs of old. He accordingly left the party in company with a native and disappeared into the bush.

Some hours afterward the Boer returned and informed the party solemnly that he had prayed, and in three days' time a very large troop of hartbeest would pass that way. The party remained at the camp, and, sure enough, two days after the promised game appeared in sight, and the Dutchmen, with thankful hearts, made a great haul.

From that moment "the man of prayer" became the popular hero until he was elected president of the South African republic. That man was Paul Kruger.

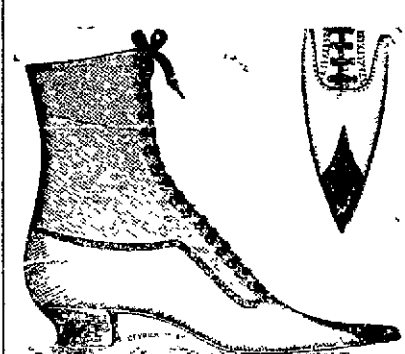
And now listen to the edifying sequel: It was some time afterward that the native who accompanied Kruger into the bush gave his version of the affair. The native stated that when Kruger entered the bush he did not pray, but struck out for a neighboring Kafir kraal. Calling the headmen, the Boer informed them that the white people were starving and could find no game. There was a large number of armed Boers on the other side of the bush, who had sent him to tell them that unless they (the natives) discovered game in less than three days they would all be shot. Knowing Boer methods only too well, the frightened natives set out forthwith, discovered the game and drove it toward the Boer camp.—London Figaro.

Chinese Treatment of Children.

However little liked the Chinaman may be by his white neighbors, I have at all times found that the Chinese had at least one good and praiseworthy quality—the kindness shown by all of them toward their children. The poorest parents always seem able to save enough money to array their little ones in gay garments on New Year's day or other holidays. The children in turn seem to be remarkably well behaved and respectful toward their elders, and rarely if ever receive corporal punishment. They seem very happy, and apparently enjoy their childhood more than most American children. On almost any sunny day the fond and proud father may be seen at every turn in Chinatown carrying his brightly attired youngster in his arms. Or a little tot, hardly old enough to feel quite steady on their legs, toddle about with infants strapped on their backs. They do not appear to mind this, and it does not seem to interfere with their childish pastimes. About the time of the Chinese New Year Chinese children are particularly favored, and the fond fathers deny them nothing. The little ones always appear to be well provided with pocket money to buy toys and candies.—Theodore Wores in St. Nicholas.

BUYING SHOES

FOR A FAMILY



Is apt to be a heavy expense. Any way, it is worth saving something on every pair, and it is worth something to have every pair wear a few weeks longer than you expect. This is what we claim for our shoes:

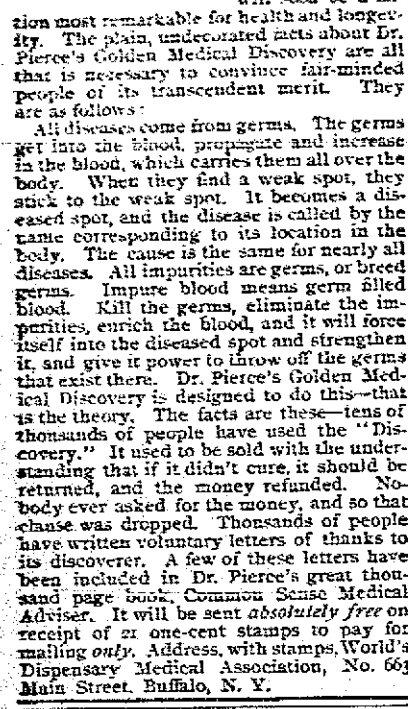
A Little Cheaper and a Little Longer Wearing Than Others!

Ladies' Fine Needle Toe Lace and Button Shoes, \$1.25
Men's Working Shoes, Lace and Congress, 95c
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230 North Main Street.



A Bit of California Climate.

"My introduction to California came in the shape of a dose of pneumonia, declared the fat horseman from New Orleans. "I came over the southern route, and crossing the Mojave desert was hotter than the hinges on the gate of Tophet. When I went to bed, I thought I would be baked like a Christmas pig before morning. I threw all the bedclothes off and lay perspiring for a couple of hours before I could get to sleep.

"Some time in the night I woke and could hardly move hand or foot. I thought I was baked to a crisp. After pinching myself alive and working my limbs a little I came to the conclusion that I had been locked in a refrigerator car and was on cold storage. I studied the matter for a few minutes and finally remembered where I had ought to be, felt around for my bedclothes, I saw some of my neighbors must have fared cold before I did and had stolen the I had just enough sense and strength left to ring for the porter, and it took the rest of the night to thaw me out. I explained to me that we had left desert, where the thermometer stood 118 in the shade, and had run 180 eight inches of snow in Tehachap pass where the mercury was down to zero.

—San Francisco Post.

To Extract Ink From Colored Articles.

Drop tallow on an ink stain, soak and rub the stain with boiling milk. This will prove effectually in removing all trace of stain.

There is nothing that causes women greater discomfort and misery than the constantly recurring headache. Men suffer less with headache. "My wife's health was indifferent, having Headache continually, and lost two packages of money. Liver Regulator released from all Headache and gave tone vigor to her whole system. I never regretted it."—M. B. Ford, Mc. Vernon, Ky.

"You may well understand what trial it must have been to him to refuse to comply with his mother's wish and to separate himself from his own section of the country, greatly the stronger and unite with the weaker section, placing his life at stake because of his conscientious conviction of duty. On his merits as an officer he rose to the rank of lieutenant general in the Confederate service, and on account of the confidence of the president in his ability and fidelity to our cause he was put in command of the important military position of Vicksburg.

"After he was exchanged as a prisoner and released from his parole I was with President Davis in his office when General Pemberton called on him and stated that the discontent on account of the fall of Vicksburg had destroyed his usefulness in high command and made it proper for him to resign his commission of lieutenant general, which he did, and he asked to be assigned to the rank of lieutenant colonel of artillery in the regular army of the Confederacy. The president, with expressions of sympathy and regret, accepted his resignation as lieutenant general, and he was assigned to his line rank of lieutenant colonel of artillery. This was the only instance during the war of an officer voluntarily resigning a high rank in the army and asking for service in a lower

"On my return from prison I was in going from Richmond to Columbia S. C. I met General Pemberton on the cars at Greensboro, N. C. I learned that he, too, was going to Columbia to see Mr. Trenholm, the secretary of the treasury, his object he told me, being to try to borrow money from Mr. Trenholm to enable him to get on a farm as a means of supporting his family. I inquired of him if he understood farming. He said he had experience in farming; that he had a profession but that of engineer, and that there was no opening for him at that time, and he saw no other way of supporting his family except on a farm. He was then in a destitute condition financially. I said to him that I understood his family in Philadelphia, wealthy and asked him if they had

of his condition. His answer was character with his past actions, they did not and never should know from him.

"From this we can understand the justice of the criticisms to which he had been subjected. I saw him no more but have since learned that he died in Philadelphia, and from this fact that he became reconciled with his wife. Learned from President Davis facts relating to General Pemberton leaving his home and entering the Confederate service."

Too Emotional.

"Julia, I never see you at funerals."

"Not when I go, I always cry more than the widow, and that makes me think I was in love with the man," Chicago Record.

Prevented a Waste of Powder.

A good story of Major Macdonald told by the London Chronicle. The plucky major commanded a battalion of Sudanese at the battle of Toski—brave blacks who were devoted to him and loved him like a father. During the battle they disobeyed him for the first time. The wily dervishes had lain down a few hundred yards from the Egyptian force and were deliberately drawing the fire of the latter by springing up, waving their banners and falling prone again in time to escape the shower of bullets that followed. The eagerness of the Sudanese was such that they could not be made to see that the object of the dervishes was to cause them to exhaust their ammunition. Major Macdonald, exhorted, commanded, swore in fluent Arabic, and all to no purpose. The blacks would "loose off" at the enemies. So at last, the situation becoming desperate, he ran forward, and walking down the front of the firing line he shouted to his men, "Now, you must fire, fire through me!"

These stagecoaches, with their complement of coachmen and gards, afforded endless subjects of interest for illustration to the artist and the literati of the day. Imagine Charles Dickens without stagecoaches and dreams of all his vivid descriptions of scenes such as those in the yard of White Hart Inn, High street, Borough in "Pickwick," or of the mail coach on the Dover road in "A Tale of Two Cities." It is difficult for the present generation to realize the fatigue and the wintry cold of such long journeys when frozen feet were enveloped in little straw, and a "shawl" for round the neck was thought to be for protection against the keen night air, a strong contrast to the luxurious cushioned carriages, hot water tins and lined rugs and greatcoats of the present day.—*London Spectator*.


A Rare Gift.
All human race would fain be wise,
And millions miss for one that hits.

Do you scratch and scratch
wonder what's the matter? If
Ointment will instantly relieve
permanently cure any itchy dis-
of the skin, no matter of how
standing.

A detailed black and white illustration of a mite, likely a scabies mite, shown from a dorsal view. The mite has a rounded, oval-shaped body with a textured, segmented appearance. It has four pairs of jointed legs extending from the sides of its body. The legs are thin and segmented, with small claws at the ends. The mite's head is at the top, with two small antennae-like structures. The overall drawing is a fine-line illustration with cross-hatching for shading.

This need not be confounded with loss of wool from high feeding, as in the latter case the skin will maintain healthy, rose tinted appearance, with no evidence whatever of disease, the loss of wool being the only abnormal condition present, while such animals would necessarily be in high condition of flesh. There are any number of dips for the trouble, and among these is a now called scabber. The prompt use of a good dip, applied two or three times a day apart, will kill the parasite, and the scab will die out of its own accord.—Denver Field and Farm.

Besides confining sheep, it may be also utilized to keep hogs where they are wanted. The panels or boards are each 12 feet long. The bottom one is 6 inches wide, and others are 4 inches. The fence is 3 feet 2 inches high. Pine boards an inch thick are the right kind of which to make the panels. Next take three boards and make a triangle like that in the illustration.



The upright boards are 4 feet high, 4 inches wide. The base board is 3 feet 6 inches long and 6 inches wide. The ends of the panels fit into the notches seen in the triangle.

Shoeing a Flat Footed Horse.

The flat foot, especially if it should be shod with a broad web shoe, beveled on the upper surface toward the inner side, so as to reduce the pressure from the sole and cause weight to be sustained by the wall bar shoe is often used to advantage in such cases. The hind feet are rare footed.

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For publication 800 copies of which I will offer for sale at public auction on the 27th day of June, 1896, at 10 o'clock, forenoon, at the door of the court house in Allen county, O., of the following described real estate, situate in the city of Lima, county of Allen, and State of Ohio, to-wit: Lot number one hundred and two (as McDonald's addition to the city of Lima, Allen county Ohio).

Said property is appraised at \$2,750.00.

Terms of sale: Cash in hand, one-third in one year and one-third in two years from the day of sale, with interest. A deferred payment to be secured by mortgage upon the premises sold.

GEORGE W. HULL,
Adm'r. of estate of Mary J. Taylor, deceased.
PARKS BANK, ATT'Y.

May 27, 1896

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified by the Probate Court of Allen county, Ohio, as assignee of the estate of George W. Hull, deceased of said county. Creditors are required to present their claims according to law.

W. L. HARRIS, Assignee of John W. Hull, M'p.

May 27, 1896. 5-23 3w

The tobacco habit grows on a man as his nervous system is seriously affected, impairing health, comfort and happiness. It just suddenly is too severe a shock to the system, as tobacco to an inveterate user comes a stimulant that his system continually craves. "Bacco-Cure" is a scientific cure for the tobacco habit, in all its forms, carefully compounded after the formula of an eminent Berlin physician, and it is his private practice since 1872, with a faithful record. It is purely vegetable, and guaranteed perfectly harmless. You can use the tobacco you want while taking "Bacco-Cure." It will notify you when to stop. We give a written guarantee to cure permanently any case with three boxes, or refund the money with no per cent. interest. "Bacco-Cure" is not a substitute, but a titanic cure, that cures without the aid of opium and with no inconvenience. It is the system as pure and free from nicotine as the day you took your first chub smoked.

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Pounds.

That Familiar Cloud.

"Dah is a cloud on dis 'semblage, I'm sorry to say," said Dewberry Jones as he held his razor between the pot and his opponent at poker.

"Is dah?" asked the man who was reaching for the money rather nervously.

"Yassah. It am no bigguh dan a man's han, but when de size ob dah han happens ter be five deuces yoh kin jeez' bet dat de cloud am chock full ob trouble. Yoh year me?"—Detroit Free Press.

From hundreds of testimonials, the details of which are on file and open to inspection, the following is presented:

Clayton, Nevada Co., Ark., Jan. 25, 1880.

Eureka Chemical and Mfg. Co., La. Wis.—Gentlemen: For forty years I tobacco in all its forms. For twenty years of that time I was a great sufferer from general debility and heart disease. For ten years I tried to quit, but couldn't until various remedies, among others "Do-It-Yourself," "The Russian Tobacco," "Double Chloride of Gold," etc., etc., none of them did me the least bit of good. Finally, however, I purchased a box of "Bacco-Cure" and was entirely cured and the habit in all its forms, and I have increased thirty pounds in weight, and I have relieved from all the numerous aches and pains of body and mind. I could write pages of paper on my changed feelings

The geese and cranes of North America commonly winter in the West Indies and in the valleys of the Amazon and Orinoco, but great flocks of them have been seen crossing the south Atlantic in the autumn, evidently bound for Africa.

Carriage drivers in France receive \$4.82 a week, in England \$5.15, in Germany \$3.21 and in Italy \$2.60.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills, a trial of our pills is worth their merit. These pills are new in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick

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One at a Time.

Clarke:—"Does your intended know that you wear false teeth?"

Ella:—"I intend breaking it gently to him. I have already owned to one."—*Lore Matter.*

Catarrah and Colds Relieved in 10 to 60 Minutes.—One short puff of the breath through the Blower, supplied with each bottle of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, diffuses this Powder over the surface of the nasal passages. Painless and delightful to use. It relieves instantly, and permanently cures Catarrh, Hay Fever, Colds, Headache, Sore Throat, Tonsillitis and Deafness, 50 cts. Sold by Wm. Melville, D. Cramer.

AN OLD LADY PARALYZED

Cured in a Manner that will Interest any Person who is Nervous.

Another Case, a Court Stenographer in Cleveland. Run Down from Overwork, Helped by the Same Means.

From the Times, Cleveland, Ohio.

Adeline Bandy, of Hudson, Ohio, arrived here yesterday on a visit to her mother, Mrs. W. C. Bandy, of this city, to remain for some time.

When she arrived, she found her mother as well as some other members of the family, who were suffering from paralysis. Mrs. Bandy lived when she was in her prime, and after the lady in question a perfect right to travel and to go to see her children, and over her may happen to feel to individuals. But her neighbors, who for several years have known her as a bed-ridden cripple, were at a loss to understand how she had managed to do it. She was generally supposed to be entirely helpless, that motion of any kind on her part was simply impossible. Some of the inhabitants of Hudson, led by a natural desire to learn the facts of the matter, naturally went so far as to call at the lady's home to investigate the subject for themselves.

Mr. Henry Bandy, her son, when asked about the matter was not at all inclined to give anybody any satisfaction beyond the mere statement that his mother was not at all helpless. Finally, however, after considerable persuasion, he consented to talk.

He said that his mother had been ailing for some time, and that she had been unable to talk about her condition and affairs. He said that she had been ailing for some time, and that she had been unable to talk about her condition and affairs. He said that she had been ailing for some time, and that she had been unable to talk about her condition and affairs.

Finally, her condition improved, and she was able to talk about her condition and affairs. He said that she had been ailing for some time, and that she had been unable to talk about her condition and affairs. He said that she had been ailing for some time, and that she had been unable to talk about her condition and affairs.

From the Times, Cleveland, Ohio.

Officials and employees at the Old Court House were considerably surprised yesterday at receiving a call from Mrs. H. B. Stanton, whose attractive face and sunny smile had not brightened their natural and cheerful for many a long day.

The lady's presence in the office naturally created quite a sensation among her former colleagues who had never expected to see her again. She called upon to follow her mother to their home.

Preferred Fabrics.

Mohair, alpaca and kindred fabrics are the most popular. Etamine, however, is aspiring to become a rival, but I presume it will not be successful, for the simple reason that not every purchaser of a toilet can buy the silk underskirt for the etamine, and next not every woman likes the constant "creak" of the silk dress. This fashionable etamine is not gotten up to resemble lace, as was customary heretofore. It rather resembles coarse canvas. The threads of the fabric lie close to one another in regular bar work and are often adorned with dots or flowers.—New York Advertiser.

Tone Down Your Laugh.

Fashion seeks to extend her power and rule the expression of our emotions as well as our taste in dress. We are informed that real old fashioned audible laughter is no longer considered good form. It is too boisterous for this resthetic age, but what is worse, it causes wrinkles to appear a little earlier than they otherwise would. So, if we would be quite up to date, we must demonstrate our joy in sweet, brilliant, but languid smiles and leave the merry laughter to the uncultured side of society.—New York Sun.

The Baby's Colic Cure.

UPPER SANDUSKY, O.—"Our little boy when three weeks old was troubled with severe attacks of wind colic. Our druggist recommended Dr. Hand's Colic Cure. We used it until baby was eight months old. The effect from the start was magical, giving instant relief and no bad effects. I recommend it with pleasure to every mother in the land. Mrs. C. W. Cramer." Dr. Hand's Remedies for children sold by all druggists.

They Whistled It.

At a recent wedding the "wedding march" was whistled by twelve girl friends of the bride.

Even catarrh, that dread breeder of consumption, succumbs to the healing influences of Thomas' Electric Oil.

THE HORSELESS CARRIAGE.

The Perfect Vehicle Will Come Into Use Slowly but Surely.

A little reflection will convince any one that the use of motorcycles, or other horseless vehicles, will improve the roads. General Norin of France is authority for the statement that the deterioration of common roads, except that which is caused by the weather, is two-thirds due to the wear of horses' feet and one-third due to the wheels of vehicles. This being the case, if the same amount as usual continued to be laid out upon the roads, and the continual damage decrease two-thirds, then the amount spent will go to increased and permanent improvement, and the roads will be "as smooth as a barn floor."

There are many questions to be solved, many difficulties to be surmounted, before the horseless vehicle appears. It was a long time before the difficulties of making sewing machines, revolvers, repeating rifles, typewriters and typesetters were overcome. Yet, examine them! It is all plain and simple, and not at all marvelous now, and we can hardly imagine how any mechanic could spend years of time studying over such easy problems. So it will be with the motorcycle. The mountains of difficulty will sink into molehills, and the ingenuity displayed will be found to take the form of judicious application of ordinary mechanical appliances, approved by the final umpire, the common sense of mankind.

Those who build automobiles must not permit themselves to think that they were born with all the carriage makers' lore inherent in them. A man may be a first class theoretical and practical mechanic and not be able to make a good vehicle to run on wheels. The perfect carriage, as we know it today, is the aggregate of the years of exhaustive trial and experiment and the improvements on that experience made by 1,000 men of genius.

If the carriage builders bestow upon the new carriage all the art acquired in building the old, and the motorcycle men learn the reasons of the conventionalities of the trade and adapt their improvements to them with reference to the opinions of those who are not prejudiced against innovation, they will both work together in harmony and with one purpose, and, so quitted, they will make rapid progress in the development of the inevitable vehicle of the future.—Cassier's Magazine.

Should Plays Be Printed?

Moliere objected to the printing of his plays on the ground that they were meant to be acted on the stage, with the costumes, scenery and illusions pertaining thereto, and not to be read in the closet. It was also inferred that Shakespeare entertained the same notion as Moliere, seeing how indifferent he was as to the fate of his plays so long as they were popular on the stage. There is also the explicit declaration of Heywood in the following terms:

"It hath been no custom in me of all other men (coarcted readers) to commit my plays to the press. The reason, though some may attribute to my own insufficiency, I had rather subscribe to that to their severe censure than by seeking to avoid the imputation of weakness to incur greater suspicion of honesty, for, though some have used a double sale of their labors first to the stage and after to the press, I have proclaimed myself ever faithful to the first and never guilty of the last."

The author of the most successful comedy of modern times exhibited the same indifference to, or rather dislike of, the printer. When "The School for Scandal" met with so brilliant a reception, from its first appearance on May 8, 1777, Ridgeway, the publisher, agreed with Sheridan as to its publication, but he never succeeded in getting the manuscript. He applied to the author in vain, and at length got an answer. Sheridan said that he had been 18 years endeavoring to satisfy himself with the style of the play, but had not yet succeeded. The printing of the play was done independently of the author. He presented a manuscript copy of it to his married sister, Mrs. Lefanu, at Dublin, to be disposed of for her own advantage to the managers of the Dublin theater. This brought her 100 guineas and free admissions to the theater, and it was from the manuscript thus procured that the Dublin edition was printed.—Notes and Queries.

His Musical Choice.

"Ethen" Kinglake was a great friend of Mme. Olga de Novikov during her sojourn in England, where one feature of her entertainments was afternoon musicals to which none but dilettanti were invited. On one occasion Kinglake presented himself, and as an intimate of the house was admitted. He retired to a corner and listened attentively. Madame was surprised, but pleased, and approaching him said: "Which order of music do you prefer, my friend—classical, Italian or the Wagnerian school? I fancy you do not know our great Glinka?"

"I assuredly am fond of music," he answered, "but my taste is perhaps peculiar. As an instrument I prefer the drum." Madame took measures to prevent his being admitted to these assemblies again.

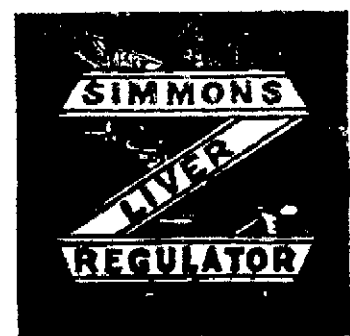
English Ship Names.

The naming of ships is one of the difficulties that the admiralty overcome by using the old names over and over again. To adopt a new name into the navy seriously interferes with the service signal books.

The old names are in the code, and are as convenient for the ships of today as for those of Nelson's time. But the introduction of a new name necessitates an alteration in all the books. That is why the old names survive generation after generation.—London World.

Charcoal for Potted Plants.

Charcoal is the most beneficial to potted plants if broken in pieces the size of small chestnuts and added to the soil in the proportion of 1 part to 20 of earth.



THE BEST SPRING MEDICINE

Is SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR—don't forget to take it. The Liver gets sluggish during the Winter, just like all nature, and the system becomes choked up by the accumulated waste, which brings on Malaria, Fever and Ague and Rheumatism. You want to wake up your Liver now, but be sure you take SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR to do it. It also regulates the Liver—keeps it properly at work, when your system will be free from poison and the whole body invigorated. You get THE BEST BLOOD when your system is in A1 condition, and that will only be when the Liver is kept active. Try a Liver Remedy once and note the difference. But take only SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR—it is SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR which makes the difference. Take it in powder or in liquid already prepared, or make a tea of the powder; but take SIMMONS LIVER REGULATOR. You'll find the RED Z on every package. Look for it.

J. H. Zellin & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

On Interviewing.

If it is worth the while of a public man to grant an interview at all it is certainly worth his while that it should be done well, and it can only be done well if he condescends to step down from his pedestal and co-operate almost on a level with the interviewer. In the first place, the interviewer, who has had a large experience in his craft, is a specialist. He is more likely than the interviewee to understand the conditions which go to the construction of a successful interview, and therefore he should be allowed a tolerably free hand as regards form and arrangement. Personally, of course, I always take stock as rapidly as I can of the interviewee and consult his humor in everything. After all, he is the person most intimately concerned with the success of the joint production, as it is his name with which the public is concerned and not that of the interviewer, who is almost invariably anonymous.

I am always in his debt for the concession of the interview, and if he wishes it he must be largely master of its manner. I am only suggesting that the wisest plan, after the original act of gracious concession has been committed, is to forget for the brief hour of the interview that you are a Jupiter and the other man a black beetle. Don't imagine that he is necessarily unconvincant with affairs political or literary. Why, a rising politician actually explained to me how a most elementary word should be spelled—quite of his own motion too. I was in no difficulty whatever. In my soul I remember that I began to sibilate "prig" but I suppressed quickly the nascent naughtiness.—National Review.

Where Water Is Scarce.

A. B. Ellis, while on a visit to Ascension Island, met an old friend, who shook hands, reached down a coat from a peg and put it on, saying:

"Excuse my not putting on a shirt, will you?"

"Of course, of course," replied Mr. Ellis. "Take off more of your clothes if you'll feel more comfortable."

"No, no. It's not that, but the fact is I haven't a shirt clean enough to put on."

Mr. Ellis could only murmur his surprise at this strange circumstance and endeavored to look sympathetic. The friend continued, "I dare say you think it odd that I don't have them washed?"

Mr. Ellis, hardly knowing what to say, inquired, "Why don't you?"

The friend unfolded a horrible tale to the effect that the water supply of the island consisted principally of what was distilled by a condenser, a small quantity being obtained from Dampier's drips and Brundeth wells; that water was always so scarce that it was served out like a ration of rum, only more sparingly, the allowance in prosperous times being two gallons a day per man.

When clothes were sent to the wash, the water for washing them had to be sent with them. But the condenser at that time had been out of order for some nine or ten days, and everybody on the island had been put on short allowance, so that they had not enough for drinking, much less for washing either themselves or their clothes.—Portland Oregonian.

Come Down a Peg.

"To take any one down a peg or two" recalls the Saxon tankards or was said bowls, graduated by lines running around the interior. Small holes were made partly through the sides of the vessels, and in these were placed pegs to regulate the amount drunk by each participant in the feast. To drink a greater portion than another was to take him down a peg.

How to Treat a Wife.

(From Pacific Health Journal.) First, get a wife; second, be patient. You may have great trials and perplexities in your business, but do not, therefore, carry to your home a cloudy or contracted brow. Your wife may have trials which, though of less magnitude, may be hard for her to bear. A kind word, a tender look, will do wonders in chasing from her brow all clouds of gloom. To this we would add, always keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. It is the best, and is sure to be needed sooner or later. Your wife will then know that you really care for her, and wish to protect her health. For sale by Melville Bros., old postoffice corner, and O. W. Heister, 58 Public Square.

A SILENCE THAT BODED ILL

The Merchant Will Probably Be More Cautious When Talking to Strangers.

A rare story has just come to light, and, although the incidents are alleged to have happened some time ago, the narrative is well worth publishing. Once upon a time Mr. I. P. Tiffault enjoyed an exceptionally good dinner at his home and came down to the store at peace with all the world. As he entered the building he noticed a shrewd eyed, pleasant faced young man standing near the door and at once spotted him for a traveling man. He greeted the stranger, shook hands, etc., and in answer to an inquiry as to how he was feeling replied:

"Excellent! Just had a fine dinner—an elegant dinner! I tell you my wife is a splendid cook. She does get up a meal just to suit me."

"Is that so?" said the stranger. "What did you have for dinner, might I inquire?"

"Oh, everything good—roast turkey, oyster sauce, mashed potatoes, hot biscuits—my wife does make elegant biscuits—and then we finished up on good dessert and black coffee. It was fine, sir, fine."

There was a quizzical smile on the stranger's face as Mr. Tiffault was called away for a moment, and then he quietly took his departure. On reaching the street he at once inquired his way to the Tiffault residence. When he reached the house, he paused for a moment, but as the odor of roast turkey and cafe au lait greeted his nostrils he walked boldly up to the front door and rang the bell. Mrs. Tiffault answered the bell in person. The stranger walked in, greeted the lady effusively and then remarked about as follows:

"I am somewhat at a disadvantage in being an entire stranger to you, Mrs. Tiffault, but your husband is a very dear friend and business acquaintance of mine. I just left him at the store, where he has been extolling the merits of your lovely cookery. When he had found that I had not dined, nothing would do but for me to come right down and get dinner here, he was so anxious for me to partake of the repast you had prepared. He said that he was very busy, and that I must waive all apologies and come right to the house just as if he were here."

Well, any one that knows how the average housewife likes to hear her cooking praised can imagine the spread that the gentleman sat down to after all that soft talk. There was nothing in the house too good for him. When, at last, he drew a mingled sigh of satisfaction and weariness, the table looked as if a cyclone had visited it. On the pretext of having to take a long ride the well fed "friend" of Mr. Tiffault filled his pockets with apples and oranges and reached for his hat. As he passed into the hall Mrs. Tiffault inquired:

"Did I understand you to say you were a commercial traveler?"

"Oh, no, madam! I am not a commercial traveler."

By this time the front steps were reached.

"What is your business, then?"

"Madam," replied the friend of her husband, "I am a professional tramp—a weary Willie—and I bid you a very reluctant farewell."

Then there was a slow, falling curtain, weird music and a silence that boded ill to the unsuspecting merchant.—Marshfield (Mass.) News.

No New Thing.

The tendency to ape men in their dress, so noticeable at the present time in a certain type of woman, far from being modern, is as old as The Spectator at least, if not older, and Addison, in an essay, comments upon it with gentle humor.

A lady dressed, according to the fashion of the advanced world of the time, in a man's hat, perwig and riding coat met a tenant of Sir Roger de Coverley. She asked whether a house near at hand were not Coverley Hall.

The man, seeing only the male part of his querist, replied, "Yes, sir."

But upon the further question, whether Sir Roger was a married man, chancing to drop his eye to the lady's skirt, the embarrassed man changed his note to "No, madam."

—London Spectator.

Why He Quit the Game.

"Take a hand?" queried Smith as Jones stood watching the poker game at the club.

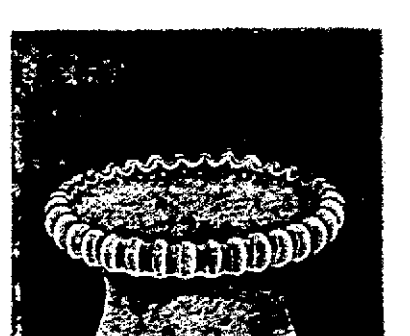
"No. Quit."

"What's the matter—cold feet?"

"No. I always come out loser."

"I never saw you lose in my life."

"I know you never saw me, but I lose. If I happen to win a little here, my wife smilingly insists on my dividing my winnings when I get home. If I lose, I get a lecture on the evils of gambling, and the next day, in order to get even, my wife runs bills down town to the amount I lost. If I tell her I came out just even, she takes half the money to prevent me losing all I have, so I am bound to lose."—San Francisco Post.



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